

# Littoral Combat Ship (LCS) Mission Modules

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#### **Vision**

- One or more LCS Platforms integrated into and supporting the Carrier Strike Group or Expeditionary Strike Group
- Each LCS controlling a number of Unmanned Vehicles tailored to

specific mission at hand...ASW, ASUW, MIW, or Inherent

Unmanned Vehicles deploying/monitoring sensors ...
 Analyzing data or

acting as data link to LCS

Rapidly reconfigurable LCS platforms to meet changing scenarios

via these Enablers:

- Common Launch & Recovery Systems
- Common Control Systems
- Common Technical Architectures
- All Sensors, Weapons, Datalinks, Information Networks, and

Platforms operating as part of a distributed network system i.e.



## **Capability Gaps**

# The Four "Gets" of LCS Mission Modules to fill the existing Capability G

#### **Get Autonomous**

 Put Sensors/Weapons in Dangerous Environments Without Risking Lives

#### Get Standardized

- Common Launch and Recovery
- Common C2 System

#### - Get Many

- Increased Coverage against a Multi-Axis Threa

#### - Get Joint

 Fluid Generation and Transfer of Information throughout the Joint/Combined Force







## **Near Term Methodology for FLT 0**

- Look at POR / Technologies
  - When Is Production Unit, LRIP Unit or EMD Available
  - Has System or Technology Been Demo'd ?... Can It Be Demo'd ISO LCS Schedule?
  - Is It Feasible?
- Weigh Capability To Meet Mission
  - Look at Mission Overlap
- Estimate Cost



## LCS Flight 0

- Schedule Is a Challenge
  - First hull in the Water 2nd QTR FY 07
- Maximum Use of Programs of Record and/or Mature Technologies
  - POR <u>plus</u> additional Non-Recurring Engineering Funds for Flt 0 Mission Module
  - Prototypes, EMD, or LRIP unit must be utilized



## **Examples of MIW MM Candidates**

Variant	Equipment	Capability
High	RMS, LMRS, AQS-20, AMNS, ALMDS, RAMICS, OASIS	Full MIW (Shallow Water to Deep)
Medium	RMS, AQS-20, AMNS, ALMDS, RAMICS, OASIS, SPARTAN (MIW), VTUAV w/COBRA, EOD Detachment	Full MIW (Shallow Water to Deep, Beach
Low	RMS, AQS-20, AMNS, ALMDS, EOD Detachment	Limited MIW w/ Slow Neutralization

Illustrative Only... Many other variants have been analyzed



## MIW Mission Module (Medium)

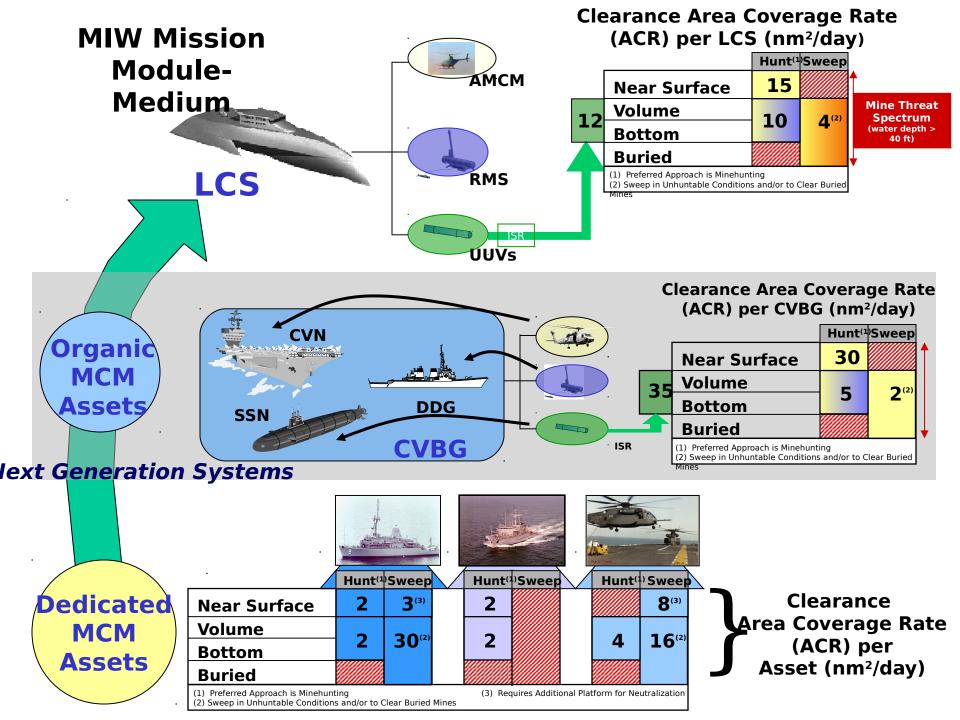
### Shallow Water to Deep Capability

#### **EQUIPMENT**:

- 1- 11 M RHIB USV
- 2- AN/WLD-1 (RMS)
- 1- MH-60S
  - 2 ALMDS
  - 2 AMNS
  - **2 AQS-20A**
  - 2 OASIS
  - 2 RAMICS
- 3- VTUAV 2 COBRA
- 1- BPAUV
- 1- EOD
  Detachment

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- LCS Requirement is 1 MH60S
- BPAUV and Sculpin for Reconnaissance
- RMS provides volume minehunting
- MH-60S with ALMDS & RAMICS provides near surface hunting/neutralization
- 11 M RHIB to Provide Sweep Capability
- VTUAV with Cobra for Surf Zone/Beach





#### **ASW Mission Module**

#### **ASW EQUIPMENT**

- 1- 11m RHIB w/ Bistatic ASW Pkg
- 2- RMV w/ Bistatic ASW Pkg
- 1- MH-60R w/
  - Torpedoes
  - Dipping SONAR
  - Sonobuoys
- 1- Torpedo Countermeasures System
- 1- Advanced Deployable System (Set)
- 1- Periscope Detection System
- 1- VTUAV (Set of 3)

- Takes Advantage of Standard
- Vehicles
  - Stable RMS Vehicle with active/ passive sensors
  - Fast 11 meter RHIB deploying sensors using "Sprint&Drift" tactic
- Advanced Deployable System for cueing in area or as barrier
- Active Capable Expendable System (ACES) for "large" area detection/ localization
- MH-60R for



# Littoral ASW Against the Diesel Threat



Shallow Water Detect/Classif y	Engage	Crew Vulnerability	Persistence

Puts IUSS and Sonar Systems Near the Target, Not the Crew









IUSS

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#### **ASUW Mission Module**

#### **ASUW EQUIPMENT**

- 2- 11m RHIB w/ EO/IR, GAU-7 Gun, and Missile Package
- 1- MH-60R w/
  - EO/IR
  - Gun
  - Rocket/Missile
- 1- VTUAV (Set of 3) w/ EO/IR, Rocket/Missile Set
- 1- Netfires Missile System
- 2- Intermediate Gun Module
- 2- Non-Lethal Weapon

- Multiple Vehicles for engagement of armed smallcraft away from LCS
- Large Payload RHIB Options
  - Netfires Precision Munition
  - Hellfire/Javelin-like Missile
  - Small Caliber Gun
- VTUAV and MH-60 for ISR and Engagement



#### LCS Will ...

- Provide a <u>Persistent</u> and <u>Survivable</u> employment platform
- Provide Distributed, Networked Sensors & Weapons
- Fill Warfighting gaps in Littoral Mine, Surface, & Anti Submarine Warfare
- Provide the 4 "Gets"



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## **Variant Examples**

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<b>A1</b>		RMS, ALMDS, AMNS, Lir QS-20, EOD Detachme	nited MIW (Shallow Water to Deep) tow Neutralization
<b>A2</b>		RMS, ALMDS, AMNS, Fu QS-20, OASIS, RAMICS LMRS	II MIW (Shallow Water to Deep)
<b>A</b> 3		RMS, ALMDS, AMNS, Del AQS-20, OASIS, EOD Detachment	iberate MIW (Shallow Water to De
<b>A</b> 4		RMS, ALMDS, LMRS Lir	nited MIW (Shallow Water to Deep) Detect & Locate
<b>A</b> 5		LMDS, OASIS, RAMICS L1m RHIB, BPAUV, REMUS, COBRA, EOD Detachment	IW (VSW to Surf Zone)



#### **Get Autonomous**

- Send Sensors and Weapons into dangerous environments without risking Lives
- Achieve missions that are difficult and dangerous for large ships and manned platforms to accomplish
- Extend off-platform reach with systems that never tire and can endure long onstation times
- Operate unmanned systems with various levels of control tailored to specific mission. For Example:
  - Search or Reconnaissance Operate safely in

**Autonomous** 



**Firescout** 





**Predator** 







## Get Standardized....Where it Makes <u>Sense!</u>

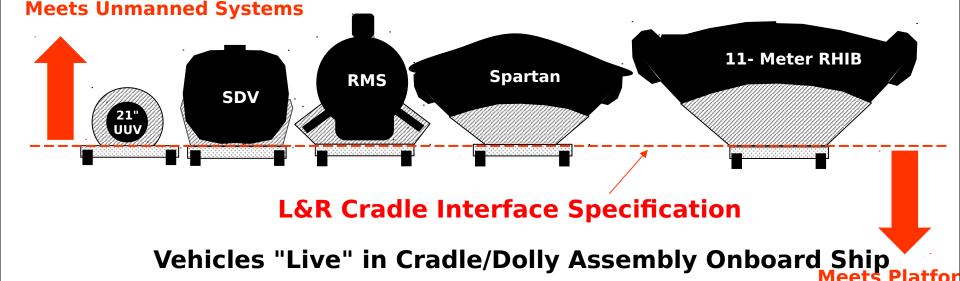




# **Get Standardized Common Systems Cradle**

**Decouples Platform from Unmanned Systems** via Physical Interface Specifications

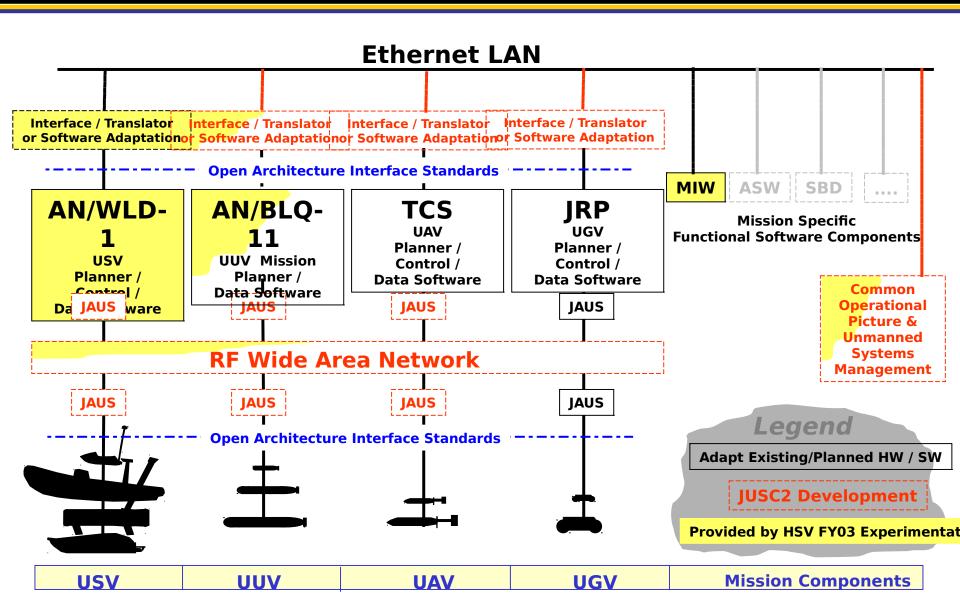
- Launch & Recovery Cradle/Cocoon Design Developed by Specific Unmanned Systems Develope
- Must Meet Interface Specification Indicated by Red Dashed Line
- <u>Decoupled from Platform Design</u> and Launch & Recovery Ramp/Deck Handling -Just Meet Interface Specification



- Deck Handling Cradle Piece and Launch & Recovery Ramp Cradle Piece Designed to Fit Platfor
- Can Accept any Offboard Systems (Manned & Unmanned) L&R Cradle/Cocoon Design as Long as it Meets Interface Spec

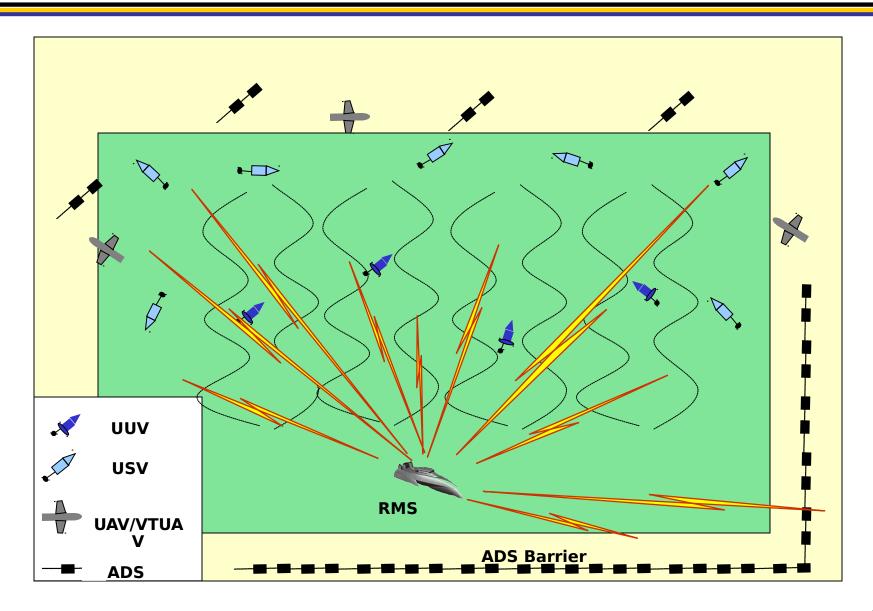


### Get Standardized: Common Vehicle C<sup>2</sup>





## **Get Many**





## **Get Joint**

 Unmanned Systems that are part of Navy Mission Modules will be able to operate in conjunction with the Unmanned Air, Surface, Underse bund Systems of all other

• This requires:

services

- Joint Command and Control Architectures/Open Interface
- Common Data Links and Interface Standards
- Common Control System (Non-Proprietary and Open
- Operation of LCS and its Modules as part of ForceNet

#### **Result:**

Fluid Generation and Transfer of Information throughout the Joint Force